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Title:

SWIMWEAR WITH BUILT-IN DRAINING

**MECHANISM** 

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**AMENDMENT** 

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 20 November 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 8 and 16, and replace pending Claims 1 and 9 with the following amended Claims 1 and 9:

1. (Amended) An absorbent swimwear garment comprising:

a chassis defining a waist opening and first and second leg openings, the chassis including a liquid-permeable body side liner, a selectively liquidpermeable outer cover, and an absorbent assembly between the body side liner and the outer cover.

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